

ASSEMBLY BILL

No. 921

Introduced by Assembly Member Firebaugh

February 20, 2003

An act to add Section 60200.8 to the Education Code, relating to instructional materials.

LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL'S DIGEST

AB 921, as introduced, Firebaugh. Instructional materials: cost consideration.

Existing law requires the State Board of Education to adopt basic instructional materials for use in kindergarten and grades 1 to 8, inclusive, in language arts, mathematics, science, social science, bilingual or bicultural subjects, and any other subject, discipline or interdisciplinary areas for which the state board determines the adoption of instructional materials to be necessary or desirable.

This bill would require the State Board of Education to consider the cost of the instructional materials, per pupil, in selecting the instructional materials for adoption, as specified.

Vote: majority. Appropriation: no. Fiscal committee: yes. State-mandated local program: no.

The people of the State of California do enact as follows:

- 1 SECTION 1. Section 60200.8 is added to the Education Code,
2 to read:
3 60200.8. The State Board of Education shall consider the cost
4 of the instructional materials, per pupil, in selecting the
5 instructional materials for adoption. The state board shall give

1 preference to the instructional materials that meet the criteria of
2 this chapter and have the lowest cost. The state board shall also
3 adopt any other instructional materials that meet the criteria of this
4 chapter and whose cost is not higher than 110 percent of the lowest
5 cost adopted instructional materials. In determining the cost of the
6 instructional materials, per pupil, the state board shall include the
7 cost of training teachers, administrators, and other school
8 personnel in the use of the instructional materials.

